MEETING MINUTES OFFENDER REGISTRATION WORKING GROUP

Butler County Kansas September 26, 2012 ~ 1:00 – 2:15PM

Attendance:

Jessica Dultmeier- KBI

Shelia Sawyer-Tyler- KBI

Judge David Ricke- 13th Judicial District

Keomi Johnson- Sedgwick County SO

Darrin Devinney- Butler County Attorney

Tracy Spreier- Sedgwick County SO

Michelle L McMillin-Saline County SO

Mitch Harris- Reno County SO

Jacob Welsh-Lyon County SO

Robert Novak-Lyon County Attorney

Chris Reece-JJA

Nancy Burghart- KS Juvenile Correctional Complex

John Strain- Offender Watch

Sheila Wacker-Johnson County SO

Michael Oliver- Sedgwick County SO

Kip Richardson-Butler County SO

Aaron Waldorf- Butler County SO

Kevin O'Connor-Butler County SO

Debra Hoffer- Shawnee County SO

Emily Adams- Shawnee County SO

James Eickhoff- Wyandotte County SO

Harry Keith- Wyandotte County SO

Al Deathe- Douglas County SO

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Minutes of the Meeting:

- 1. Al Deathe called the meeting to order and introduced himself. The remaining attendees introduced themselves.
- 2. There was a review of topics discussed at 07/25/2012 ORWG meeting, such as the possibility of removing some drug offenders from having to register. Reasons to proceed include fail to register cases being dismissed since some Courts do not believe the KORA can be applied retroactively and it was mentioned that a lot of resources are being spent to register drug offenders instead of sex offenders. The overall decision is to continue registration for drug offenders convicted of unlawful manufacturing of a controlled substance (K.S.A. 65-4159, K.S.A. 21-36a03 (a) and K.S.A. 21-5703) and remove the rest.
- 3. Nominees for the ORWG Chairperson were Judge Ricke, Sheila Wacker and James Eickhoff. Prior to the vote, Judge Ricke stated that, as a Judge, there are some ethical restrictions as to what he may or may not be able to testify on but that he felt the other two candidates would do a good job. The vote was held and Sheila Wacker was voted as the new ORWG Chairperson.
- 4. Butler County Attorney Darrin Devinney, suggested that there be some sort of public awareness for the community and/or potential jurors, showing the importance of the KORA. It might be helpful to explain the history of the Act, the changes that have been made and the impact of the changes.
- 5. Discussed the status of KsORT and that Kansas Notifications will begin shortly.
- 6. Scheduled future ORWG meetings:

January 9, 2013 -- 1:00

Jackson County Fair Building

Fifth & Dakota

Holton, Kansas 66436

(Building is off Highway 75 at 5th and Dakota)

June 19, 2013 -- 1:00

Kansas Juvenile Correctional Complex

1430 N.W. 25th Street

Topeka, Kansas 66618

785-354-9800

8.) Meeting was adjourned at 2:15 pm.

April 10, 2013 - 1:00

Lyon County Sheriff's Office

425 Mechanic

Emporia, Kansas 66801

620-342-5545

September 2013

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